



City of Seattle

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Public Notice

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Roosevelt Reservoir out of service for two-year test *Seattle Public Utilities conducting a decommissioning study*

Project/Description of Work:

Roosevelt Reservoir, located at NE 75th Street and 12th Avenue, was taken out of service on Monday, April 1, 2013. The reservoir will remain disconnected from the City's drinking water system for two years while Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) performs a decommissioning test. During this time, SPU will study the impact the out-of-service facility has on Seattle's overall drinking water system, make evaluations and determine whether Roosevelt Reservoir can be permanently taken out of service.

SPU will begin draining Roosevelt Reservoir the week of April 15, 2013. When completely drained, the reservoir will remain empty for the duration of the two-year decommissioning test. While the reservoir is out of service, SPU will continue to monitor the facility, and crews will maintain the grounds — removing debris and performing other maintenance tasks as needed.

Benefits:

Closing Roosevelt Reservoir is a part of SPU's overall program to cover, decommission or replace its open reservoirs with underground structures that improve the quality and security of our water supply. The program allows SPU to meet drinking water storage needs while reducing the size of some reservoirs, closing (decommissioning) others and thus saving public dollars. Customers who previously received their drinking water from Roosevelt Reservoir will now have it delivered from one of the City's covered or underground reservoirs as they have in the past when Roosevelt Reservoir was closed for cleaning.

Future Plans:

After the two-year decommissioning test is complete, SPU will determine if it needs to retain the facility for continued water operations. If SPU decides that it no longer needs the facility, there will be a public process to inform and participate in the decision-making regarding changes to or a sale of the site.

Project Contact:

For more information about the decommissioning test occurring at Roosevelt Reservoir, contact Bill Wells, SPU Drinking Water Division, at 206-684-0221 or bill.wells@seattle.gov.

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